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AN 2004328041 IN-PROCESS

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TI Development and large scale benchmark testing of the PROSPECTOR\_3  
threading algorithm.

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AB This article describes the PROSPECTOR\_3 threading algorithm, which combines various scoring functions designed to match structurally related target/template pairs. Each variant described was found to have a Z-score above which most identified templates have good structural (threading) alignments, Z(struct) (Z(good)). 'Easy' targets with accurate threading alignments are identified as single templates with  $Z > Z(\text{good})$  or two templates, each with  $Z > Z(\text{struct})$ , having a good consensus structure in mutually aligned regions. 'Medium' targets have a pair of templates lacking a consensus structure, or a single template for which  $Z(\text{struct}) < Z < Z(\text{good})$ . PROSPECTOR\_3 was applied to a comprehensive Protein Data Bank (PDB) benchmark composed of 1491 single domain proteins, 41-200 residues long and no more than 30% identical to any threading template. Of the proteins, 878 were found to be easy targets, with 761 having a root mean square deviation (RMSD) from native of less than 6.5 Å. The average contact prediction accuracy was 46%, and on average 17.6 residue continuous fragments were predicted with RMSD values of 2.0 Å. There were 606 medium targets identified, 87% (31%) of which had good structural (threading) alignments. On average, 9.1 residue, continuous fragments with RMSD of 2.5 Å were predicted. Combining easy and medium sets, 63% (91%) of the targets had good threading (structural) alignments compared to native; the average target/template sequence identity was 22%. Only nine targets lacked matched templates. Moreover, PROSPECTOR\_3 consistently outperforms **PSIBLAST**. Similar results were predicted for open reading frames (ORFs) < or =200 residues in the M. genitalium, E. coli and S. cerevisiae genomes. Thus, progress has been made in identification of weakly homologous/analogous proteins, with very high alignment coverage, both in a comprehensive PDB benchmark as well as in genomes.

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Full Text  
 AN 2004107062 MEDLINE  
 DN PubMed ID: 14997542  
 TI Prediction of alpha-turns in proteins using PSI-BLAST profiles and secondary structure information.  
 AU Kaur Harpreet; Raghava G P S  
 CS Institute of Microbial Technology, Chandigarh, India.  
 SO Proteins, (2004 Apr 1) 55 (1) 83-90.  
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 AB In this paper a systematic attempt has been made to develop a better method for predicting alpha-turns in proteins. Most of the commonly used approaches in the field of protein structure prediction have been tried in this study, which includes statistical approach "Sequence Coupled Model" and machine learning approaches; i) artificial neural network (ANN); ii) Weka (Waikato Environment for Knowledge Analysis) Classifiers and iii) Parallel Exemplar Based Learning (PEBLs). We have also used multiple sequence alignment obtained from **PSIBLAST** and secondary structure information predicted by PSIPRED. The training and testing of all methods has been performed on a data set of 193 non-homologous protein X-ray structures using five-fold cross-validation. It has been observed that ANN with multiple sequence alignment and predicted secondary structure information outperforms other methods. Based on our observations we have developed an ANN-based method for predicting alpha-turns in proteins. The main components of the method are two feed-forward back-propagation networks with a single hidden layer. The first sequence-structure network is trained with the multiple sequence alignment in the form of PSI-BLAST-generated position specific scoring matrices. The initial predictions obtained from the first network and PSIPRED predicted secondary structure are used as input to the second structure-structure network to refine the predictions obtained from the first net. The final network yields an overall prediction accuracy of 78.0% and MCC of 0.16. A web server AlphaPred (<http://www.imtech.res.in/raghava/alphapred/>) has been developed based on this approach.  
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L2 ANSWER 3 OF 8 MEDLINE on STN  
Full Text  
 AN 2004233864 MEDLINE  
 DN PubMed ID: 14594458  
 TI PCAS--a precomputed proteome annotation database resource.  
 AU Zhang Yong; Yin Yanbin; Chen Yunjia; Gao Ge; Yu Peng; Luo Jingchu; Jiang Ying  
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AB BACKGROUND: Many model proteomes or "complete" sets of proteins of given organisms are now publicly available. Much effort has been invested in computational annotation of those "draft" proteomes. Motif or domain based algorithms play a pivotal role in functional classification of proteins. Employing most available computational algorithms, mainly motif or domain recognition algorithms, we set up to develop an online proteome annotation system with integrated proteome annotation data to complement existing resources. RESULTS: We report here the development of PCAS (ProteinCentric Annotation System) as an online resource of pre-computed proteome annotation data. We applied most available motif or domain databases and their analysis methods, including hmmpfam search of HMMs in Pfam, SMART and TIGRFAM, RPS-**PSIBLAST** search of PSSMs in CDD, pfscan of PROSITE patterns and profiles, as well as PSI-BLAST search of SUPERFAMILY PSSMs. In addition, signal peptide and TM are predicted using SignalP and TMHMM respectively. We mapped SUPERFAMILY and COGs to InterPro, so the motif or domain databases are integrated through InterPro. PCAS displays table summaries of pre-computed data and a graphical presentation of motifs or domains relative to the protein. As of now, PCAS contains human IPI, mouse IPI, and rat IPI, A. thaliana, C. elegans, D. melanogaster, S. cerevisiae, and S. pombe proteome. PCAS is available at <http://pak.cbi.pku.edu.cn/proteome/gca.php> CONCLUSION: PCAS gives better annotation coverage for model proteomes by employing a wider collection of available algorithms. Besides presenting the most confident annotation data, PCAS also allows customized query so users can inspect statistically less significant boundary information as well. Therefore, besides providing general annotation information, PCAS could be used as a discovery platform. We plan to update PCAS twice a year. We will upgrade PCAS when new proteome annotation algorithms identified.

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AN 2002179124 MEDLINE  
DN PubMed ID: 11911793  
TI The efficient computation of position-specific match scores with the fast fourier transform.  
AU Rajasekaran S; Jin X; Spouge J L  
CS Department of Computer and Information Science and Engineering, University of Florida, Gainesville, FL 32611, USA.  
SO Journal of computational biology : a journal of computational molecular cell biology, (2002) 9 (1) 23-33.  
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AB Historically, in computational biology the fast Fourier transform (FFT) has been used almost exclusively to count the number of exact letter matches between two biosequences. This paper presents an FFT algorithm that can compute the match score of a sequence against a position-specific

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scoring matrix (PSSM). Our algorithm finds the PSSM score simultaneously over all offsets of the PSSM with the sequence, although like all previous FFT algorithms, it still disallows gaps. Although our algorithm is presented in the context of global matching, it can be adapted to local matching without gaps. As a benchmark, our PSSM-modified FFT algorithm computed pairwise match scores. In timing experiments, our most efficient FFT implementation for pairwise scoring appeared to be 10 to 26 times faster than a traditional FFT implementation, with only a factor of 2 in the acceleration attributable to a previously known compression scheme. Many important algorithms for detecting biosequence similarities, e.g., gapped BLAST or **PSIBLAST**, have a heuristic screening phase that disallows gaps. This paper demonstrates that FFT algorithms merit reconsideration in these screening applications.

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Full Text

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 DN PubMed ID: 10972829  
 TI The spvB gene-product of the Salmonella enterica virulence plasmid is a mono(ADP-ribosyl)transferase.  
 AU Otto H; Tezcan-Merdol D; Girisch R; Haag F; Rhen M; Koch-Nolte F  
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 SO Molecular microbiology, (2000 Sep) 37 (5) 1106-15.  
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 AB A number of well-known bacterial toxins ADP-ribosylate and thereby inactivate target proteins in their animal hosts. Recently, several vertebrate ecto-enzymes (ART1-ART7) with activities similar to bacterial toxins have also been cloned. We show here that **PSIBLAST**, a position-specific-iterative database search program, faithfully connects all known vertebrate ecto-mono(ADP-ribosyl)transferases (mADPRTs) with most of the known bacterial mADPRTs. Intriguingly, no matches were found in the available public genome sequences of archaeabacteria, the yeast *Saccharomyces cerevisiae* or the nematode *Caenorhabditis elegans*. Significant new matches detected by **PSIBLAST** from the public sequence data bases included only one open reading frame (ORF) of previously unknown function: the spvB gene contained in the virulence plasmids of *Salmonella enterica*. Structure predictions of SpvB indicated that it is composed of a C-terminal ADP-ribosyltransferase domain fused via a poly proline stretch to a N-domain resembling the N-domain of the secretory toxin TcaC from nematode-infecting enterobacteria. We produced the predicted catalytic domain of SpvB as a recombinant fusion protein and demonstrate that it, indeed, acts as an ADP-ribosyltransferase. Our findings underscore the power of the **PSIBLAST** program for the discovery of new family members in genome databases. Moreover, they open a new avenue of investigation regarding salmonella pathogenesis.

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Full Text

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 TI DNase I homologous residues in CdtB are critical for cytolethal distending

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toxin-mediated cell cycle arrest.

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 AB Cytotoxic distending toxins (CDTs) block cell division by arresting the  
 eukaryotic cell cycle at G2/M. Although previously not recognized in  
 standard BLAST searches, a position-specific iterated (PSI) BLAST search  
 of the protein data bank using CDT polypeptides as query sequences  
 indicated that CdtB bears significant position-specific homology to type I  
 mammalian DNases. The **PSIBLAST** sequence alignment reveals that residues  
 of DNase I involved in phosphodiester bond hydrolysis (His134 and His252)  
 are conserved in CdtB as well as their respective hydrogen bond pairs  
 (Glu78 and Asp212). CdtB also contains a pentapeptide motif found in all  
 DNase I enzymes. Further, crude CDT preparations possess detectable DNase  
 activity not associated with identical preparations from control cells.  
 Five CdtB mutations in amino acids corresponding to DNase I active site  
 residues were prepared and expressed together with wild-type CdtA and CdtC  
 polypeptides. Mutation in four of the five DNase-specific active site  
 residues resulted in CDT preparations that lacked DNase activity and  
 failed to induce cellular distension or arrest division of HeLa cells.  
 The fifth mutation, Glu86 (Glu78 in DNase I), retained the ability to  
 induce a moderate level of cell cycle arrest and displayed reduced DNase  
 activity relative to wild-type CDT. Together, these data suggest that the  
 CDT holotoxin has intrinsic DNase activity that is associated with the  
 CdtB polypeptide and that this DNase activity may be responsible for the  
 CDT-induced cell cycle arrest.

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AN 2001091283 MEDLINE  
 DN PubMed ID: 11108697  
 TI Ballast: blast post-processing based on locally conserved segments.  
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 AB MOTIVATION: Blast programs are very efficient in finding relatively strong  
 similarities but some very distantly related sequences are given a very  
 high Expect value and are ranked very low in Blast results. We have  
 developed Ballast, a program to predict local maximum segments (LMSs-i.e.

sequence segments conserved relatively to their flanking regions) from a single Blast database search and to highlight these divergent homologues. The TblastN database searches can also be processed with the help of information from a joint BlastP search. RESULTS: We have applied the Ballast algorithm to BlastP searches performed with sequences belonging to well described dispersed families (aminoacyl-tRNA synthetases; helicases) against the SwissProt 38 database. We show that Ballast is able to build an appropriate conservation profile and that LMSs are predicted that are consistent with the signatures and motifs described in the literature. Furthermore, by comparing the Blast, **PsiBlast** and Ballast results obtained on a well defined database of structurally related sequences, we show that the LMSs provide a scoring scheme that can concentrate on top ranking distant homologues better than Blast. Using the graphical user interface available on the Web, specific LMSs may be selected to detect divergent homologues sharing the corresponding properties with the query sequence without requiring any additional database search.

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 AN 2000063280 MEDLINE  
 DN PubMed ID: 10592246  
 TI Assigning genomic sequences to CATH.  
 AU Pearl F M; Lee D; Bray J E; Sillitoe I; Todd A E; Harrison A P; Thornton J M; Orengo C A  
 CS Department of Biochemistry, University College London, University of London, Gower Street, London WC1E 6BT, UK.. [frances@biochem.ucl.ac.uk](mailto:frances@biochem.ucl.ac.uk)  
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 AB We report the latest release (version 1.6) of the CATH protein domains database (<http://www.biochem.ucl.ac.uk/bsm/cath>). This is a hierarchical classification of 18 577 domains into evolutionary families and structural groupings. We have identified 1028 homo-logous superfamilies in which the proteins have both structural, and sequence or functional similarity. These can be further clustered into 672 fold groups and 35 distinct architectures. Recent developments of the database include the generation of 3D templates for recognising structural relatives in each fold group, which has led to significant improvements in the speed and accuracy of updating the database and also means that less manual validation is required. We also report the establishment of the CATH-PFDB (Protein Family Database), which associates 1D sequences with the 3D homologous superfamilies. Sequences showing identifiable homology to entries in CATH have been extracted from GenBank using PSI-BLAST. A CATH-**PSIBLAST** server has been established, which allows you to scan a new sequence against the database. The CATH Dictionary of Homologous Superfamilies (DHS), which contains validated multiple structural alignments annotated with consensus functional information for evolutionary protein superfamilies, has been updated to include annotations associated with sequence relatives identified in GenBank. The DHS is a powerful tool for considering the variation of functional properties within a given CATH superfamily and in deciding what functional properties may be reliably inherited by a newly identified relative.

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